

## **Local League Baseball Tournament Rules**

**All Regular Season rules will apply unless listed differently below**

**1. Only players listed on Official Rosters from June 1st are eligible to play in the tournament unless given permission upon request.**

### **2. Game Play**

- a. Game times will vary depending on the bracket and field availability
- b. If a team is behind by 15 runs after 3 full innings the game will be considered complete.
- c. If the home team is ahead by 10 runs after 3 1/2 innings or if the away team is ahead by 10 runs after 4 full innings the game is complete.
- d. If any team is trailing by 20 runs at any time in the game the game stops at that point no matter what
- e. If a game is tied after regulation, extra innings must be played, each game needs a winner. (Unless in pool play, in this case would be a tie unless there is still time left to play)
- f. No new full inning (regulation or extra inning) shall start after 1 hr & 30 minutes.
- g. If it is at 1hr and 29min you may start a new inning.
  - i. If tied after the time limit has expired then we will use international rules for extra innings.
  - ii. Each extra inning will begin with the offensive team's last batter from their previous at-bat on 2nd base and 0 outs.
  - iii. Play until there is a winner.
- h. The home team is determined by coin flip for each and every game (The high seed is not always the home team)
- i. Each team is guaranteed 2 games, if they win one of the first two games then they are guaranteed a third game.
- j. The tournament directors reserve the right to change any game play rules at any time for any reason during the tournament

### **3. PITCHING**

- a. A player may pitch 3 innings per game.
- b. A player may pitch no more than 5 innings in a day.
  - i. Which means no more than 10 in the tournament.
- c. NO new pitching rules will be adopted for any extra innings played.
- d. Each pitcher is only allowed 5 warm-up pitches per inning unless the umpire chooses to shorten the number.

- e. No curveball pitching is allowed.

#### **4. BATTING ORDER**

- a. If a player is injured during an at-bat and cannot continue, the pitch count resets and you move to the next batter with no penalty of an out.

#### **5. SUBSTITUTION**

- a. Players may be freely substituted, however, each player must play a minimum of 2 complete innings in the field (non-consecutively is ok).

#### **6. COMPLETE INNING**

- a. Coaches need to coordinate with the umpire when you are close to the end of the game/time limit. The last inning must be declared as such prior to the start of it.

#### **7. GAMES POSTPONED**

- a. The tournament coordinators reserve the right to alter the tournament format in the event of inclement weather. This could affect number of games played/Days games are played on.

#### **8. UMPIRES**

- a. Waconia will furnish the umpires.
- b. Umpires will turn in scorecard to tournament director for reporting scores